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The current Hot Mix Asphalt Technician Qualification Program requires recertification of Level 1 and Level 2 Quality Control Technicians (QCT) every three years.

**Starting March 1, 2004,** written and performance testing requirements for **re**-certification will be waived if a QCT (Level I or II) attends approved training between certification time periods. The requirements will be phased in over a three year period. A QCT will be eligible for re-certification without having to retake the written and/or performance exams after obtaining the credit hours of training, as noted below.

## PHASED-IN REQUIREMENTS

| Date Quality Control<br>Technician<br>Certification Expires | Credit Hours<br>Required for<br>Recertification | Level 1 QCT<br>Required Classes | Level 2 QCT<br>Required Classes |
|---|---|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Between   |   | QCT Level 1 Joint               | QCT Level 2                     |
| March 1, 2004 and   | 6   | Training Work Shop              | Training Work Shop              |
| February 28, 2005   |   | (6 hrs)                         | (6 hrs)                         |
| Between   |   | QCT Level 1 Joint               | QCT Level 2                     |
| March 1, 2005 and   | 12  | Training Work Shop              | Training Work Shop              |
| February 28, 2006   |   | (6  hrs) + 6  hrs               | (6  hrs) + 6  hrs               |
|   |   | additional training             | additional training             |
|   |   | QCT Level 1 Joint               | QCT Level 2                     |
| After March 1, 2006   | 18  | Training Work Shop              | Training Work Shop              |
|   |   | (12  hrs) + 6  hrs              | (12  hrs) + 6  hrs              |
|   |   | additional training             | additional training             |

## FUTURE RECERTIFICATION REQUIRMENTS (After March 1, 2006)

| Quality Control Technician Certification | Credit Hours<br>Required for<br>Recertification | Level 1 QCT<br>Required Classes  | Level 2 QCT<br>Required Classes  |
|--|---|--|--|
| Certification good for 3 years           | 18 hrs required<br>over the 3 year<br>period    | QCT Level 1 Joint<br>Training Work Shop<br>(12 hrs) + 6 hrs<br>additional training | QCT Level 2<br>Training Work Shop<br>(12 hrs) + 6 hrs<br>additional training |

NOTE: QCTs who have not worked in the capacity of a QCT for at least 6 months per year in the 3 year period will be required to retake the Level 1 or Level 2 Exam, even if they have the required training.

\*The QCT Level 1 and Level 2 Training Workshops will be offered yearly for 6 hours credit. Only 6 hrs of Level 1 or Level 2 training is eligible per year. Therefore, the complete 18 hours cannot be gathered in only one year. We encourage QCTs to attend the yearly workshops for their total 18 hours, but 6 hours of the training can be from a different source. The training eligible for the additional hours will be recognized as noted on the following page.

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The table below lists the additional training available and the credit hours assigned to each class or conference:

| Training eligible for additional hours credit | Offered  | Credit Hours |
|---|----------|--------------|
| QCT Level 1 Joint Training Work Shop          | Annually | 6            |
| Bituminous Construction Workshop              | Annually | 6            |
| Annual Asphalt Quality Paving Conference      | Annually | 6            |
| Field Data Collection Training                | Annually | 4            |
| Georgia Quality Initiative Conference         | Annually | 2            |

**Starting March 1, 2004,** written and performance testing requirements for initial certification will be as noted in the table below. For initial certification, a written examination is given to ensure that applicants have a complete understanding of the materials and calculations as well as the ability to perform test procedures. A performance examination is also a part of the Level 1. DDATA training requirements have been added to the Level 1 QCT. DDATA training will be held in all the Districts at least once per year, and can be available more often if needed.

INITIAL CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

| Quality Control Technician Certification | Written Exam<br>Requirements               | Performance<br>Exam     | Other Requirements  |
|--|--|-------------------------|---|
| Level 1 QCT                              | 4 hour test                                | Held at<br>District Lab | 4 hours of DDATA<br>training must be taken<br>within the first year of<br>certification |
| Level 2 QCT                              | Level 2 QCT<br>Training and 6<br>hour test | NONE                    | Must have a current QCT<br>Level 1 certification  |